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HARRY LACKEY ENDS ALL IN DESPONDENCY

Young Man Well Known in Ontario Drowns Self in Boise River.

Harry F. Lackey died in Boise Monday evening from the effects of melancholia. The body will be brought to Ontario this evening and interment will be in the local cemetery.

Harry was the son of Nathan Lackey, who died some 24 years ago, and Mrs. May Lackey, who died in Los Angeles last April. He was in his 26th year.

The ending was a sad one for a young man with such bright prospects as he was especially talented in cartoon work and writing. While discouraged with himself he jumped into the Boise river, where the body was found Wednesday. He left letters telling of his intentions and for the disposition of his money and property.

"EXCUSE ME" TO BE IN WEISER FEBRUARY 25

"Excuse Me", one of the most amusing farces ever written, is billed for the Wheaton at Weiser, on Tuesday evening, February 25. Henry W. Savage is recognized as a thoroughly reliable, and conservative manager and Willis P. Sweatnam, who has the most important character, has had few equals as a negro impersonator. With the play, manager and star of high standing, those who journey to Weiser will not be disappointed.

It will be a good laugh, the kind everyone will enjoy. Those who miss it will regret it. This play is a foremost current success and a big popular hit. Its reputation was established in a long New York run as well as stable engagements in Chicago and Boston. The farce is clever in every respect and what is more it is unique.

The story is told on a railroad train with Pullman cars as a stage setting. The action is worked out on a trip across the continent and the humor is lightened by comic episodes during the journey. It is an entertainment in every sense of the word and one that pleases very generally, as there is much more of a play in "Excuse Me" than is generally in a farce. There is a great deal of adventure and a lot of sentiment, all of 20th century nature, which is light, bright and amusing.

ONTARIO BOWLERS GO DOWN TO DEFEAT AT IDAHO CAPITAL

Some of the Ontario bowlers went to Boise last week and took on some of the Boise bowlers. The alleys were strange, the rosters something they were not accustomed to and the scores were not up to the average. Too many cases of stage fright. On Friday and Saturday evenings of this week there will be teams here from Boise to return the courtesy. The bowlers are loud in their praise of the fine treatment extended them while in Boise the beautiful.

LOCAL K. P. LODGE WILL ENTERTAIN GRAND LODGE MEN

Armor Lodge, Knights of Pythias, will entertain the grand lodge officers on Wednesday evening, February 26. Among those expected are J. H. Gwin, grand chancellor, of Pendleton, and M. F. Davis, supreme representative, J. W. Maloney, G. M. of Ex., L. R. Stinson, G. K. of R. and S.

JAKE HOSKINS RANCH IS SOLD TO SPOKANE MAN

Jake Hoskins was in Ontario a few days ago and confirmed the reported sale of his place. The new owner is M. D. Hall, of Spokane and he will make an exclusive hog ranch of the place. Some 400 hogs were turned over with the place and it is the intention to run about 500 brood sows. At present they will handle grade stuff, but later will raise thoroughbred stuff exclusively. Mr. Hoskins says the place is especially adapted to hogs and the new owner will make a success of the business.

JOSEPH P. TUMULTY



Joseph P. Tumulty, who has been selected by President Elect Wilson to be his private secretary.

MORTGAGES ARE NOT SO POPULAR WITH JUDGE KING

Judge G. L. King was called to Vale a few days ago on legal business. By some quizzing we found out that the Judge had been hauled a package and he was trying to get rid of it and pay for the experience. Some two years ago he sold some lots on the east side, received a small payment and took a mortgage on the lots for the balance. Title was transferred to another man and he made a few improvements and payment. These men have now left the country and the judge is compelled to foreclose the mortgage to get possession of his own property, the moneys received not being sufficient to pay interest on the investment. It is safe to say that mortgages will not be popular with the judge for awhile.

FIRE BOYS WOULD APPRECIATE MORE EFFECTIVE HELP

The fire boys will appreciate it if you keep on ringing the fire bell if you are the first one there and let the other fellows go and do the fighting. This will insure more help for the firemen. If you are on the street with a team when the bell starts ringing drive to the fire house and earn the \$3 they allow for the hauling of the hose cart to the fire. When the firemen are compelled to run and drag the cart they are all in when they reach the fire and in bad shape to go against the smoke. Help them out, they will appreciate it and it will save some person some money.

Public Sale

Ben Rose is advertising the sale of his horses and other stock and implements by auction on Friday, February 28. See bills for list offered.

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CREAMERY TO BE ESTABLISHED IN ONTARIO AT ONCE

Andrew Smith An Experienced Creamery Man to Install a Modern Plant in this City and Emphasizes His Intention By Shipping in Car of Machinery.

Andrew Smith, a creamery man of 17 years experience and a native of Holland, has shipped a car load of creamery machinery to this city where he will at once establish a modern equipped creamery and ice cream plant. Mr. Smith interviewed the president and secretary of the Commercial club last week and is encouraged over the prospects of this locality.

He has a herd of cows of his own which will supply a portion of the cream needed for the factory on the start. An auto cream collecting service will be operated so that it will not be necessary for the dairymen to bring their cream to the factory daily. Receiving stations will be established.

PARMA GUN CLUB TO HOLD TOURNAMENT FEBRUARY 22ND

The Parma Gun club will hold a tournament February 22 and it will be the first event of the kind for the season. There will be eight events and money and merchandise added as prizes offered for all of them.

M. A. Bates is the president of the club, J. J. Plowhead, vice president, G. B. Rowan, secretary and P. E. Fisk, treasurer.

CHAPMANS ARE DOING SOME GOOD RIDING IN POLO GAMES

Harry Chapman and son, Edgar are in the polo tournament at Pasadena and their riding and playing is being highly complimented by the California press.

NEW RAILROAD LINES THAT ARE MENTIONED

News of Projected Roads to Be Built--Other Real Railroad "Dope."

The railroad deposters have been quite busy the past week and several new lines projected. A man in Vale is going to build a hot aerial line from Huntington to Brogan so that Vale will be on a main line.

A dispatch states that Mr. Bancroft has announced that work will start at once on a line to connect Twin Falls with the Central Pacific at a point near Wells, Nevada.

The sale of the Nevada and Oregon road, at present a narrow gauge running from Reno, Nevada, to Lake View, to Hill people and the proposal to standardize it and make connection with Hill's line at Bend is another story. This move is to be made to give the Hill people a chance to get into California over the Western Pacific and also to give the Western Pacific people a chance to get into the Northwest over the Hill lines.

In the meantime the double tracking of the bridge at Payette is making good headway and the rails are about laid to Homedale on the new south side line.

Work in the tunnel west of Vale is proceeding slowly on account of an excess of water, but will be completed in the early spring.

ed in all of the surrounding towns and the new enterprise will commence operations as soon as the machinery can be installed.

This is a plain business transaction on the part of Mr. Smith, who has fully investigated the dairy conditions in this part of the Snake river valley.

SHORT LINE OFFICIALS ARE ARRANGING NEW POLICY

President Farrell and other O. W. R. & N. officials are in Portland this week arranging the policy of the road to conform to the court rulings and it is expected that the public will soon be advised of what is in store for them.

Mr. Farrell will probably inspect the line of the Oregon and Eastern in a few days.

ONTARIO GUN CLUB HOLDS FIRST MEETING OF SEASON

The members of the Ontario Gun club held their first shoot last Monday and some of the members got good scores, indicating they have not gone back any and that they will give a good account of themselves when they are called on for a score. Out of 26 doubles, Beagle broke 23, Nicely 23, R. Sage, 16 and F. Sage 18. In the singles 25 birds, Beagle got 22, 22 21; Nicely 20, 22, 23; R. Sage 19, 17, 21; F. Sage 23, 22, 20.

1200 ACRE RANCH ON DEAD OX FLAT SOLD

Syndicate Pays \$80,000 for the O. W. Porter Ranch This Week.

It is reported that O. W. Porter has sold his 1200-acre ranch on Dead Ox Flat, opposite Weiser, for \$80,000, to a syndicate headed by David Wilson, of Emmett. A goodly portion of the ranch has been under cultivation for several years, yet it was not until last year that Mr. Porter attempted to cultivate it on a more extended scale, when he installed electric pumps sufficient to supply 600 acres. By those in a position to know it is said the land is admirably adapted to fruit raising and is so situated as to eliminate all dangers from late frosts.

Before a great while a number of families will be located on the tract, which will rapidly be transformed into one of the most productive spots in the famous Snake river valley.

BIG EXCURSION TO WEISER

Tuesday, February 25 Henry W. Savage will present the Pullman car farce, "Excuse Me" with William P. Sweatnam as the porter. This is a big show. A special train will leave Ontario at 7 p. m. Fare 75 cents for round trip. Train will be held 20 minutes at Weiser for lunch at the Washington hotel.

RAILROAD MAKING GOOD PROGRESS TO HOMEDALE

William Graff was down from his Suoker creek ranch a few days ago and was much pleased at the rapid manner they are getting the railroad completed to Homedale as it will mean a big saving to him in the marketing of his wool and the hauling in of supplies for the ranch. He stated that a few days ago a man stopped at his place who was going to Winemucca overland, looking out a route for a railroad, but he could not learn what company he represented.

GENERAL CASTRO



General Castro, former Dictator of Venezuela, who won his fight to land in the United States.

GOVERNOR AND REPORTER CLASH

Governor Grabs Frank L. Perkins by Throat and Both Fall Hard Salem, Or.—Tumbling on the tile floor of the lower corridor in the State Capitol building Governor West, with his hands clutched on the throat of Frank L. Perkins, a newspaper reporter, threw Perkins and in a wild confusion of flying feet and arms a battle royal was carried on between the state executive and the reporter. They were separated by Senator Bean and Representative Spencer. Spencer held Perkins in a corner. The governor has been incensed by newspaper attacks upon him supposedly coming from Perkins, and the tension between the two has been at a straining point.

The encounter was so short and so quickly ended that it would have bothered even an expert referee to have given a decision on points.

National Capital Brevities. Census enumerations in the cities and towns of the United States will hereafter be taken largely by letter-carriers, if congress gives its sanction to a plan proposed by Census Director Durand, in his annual report, just made public.

Carrying a total appropriation of \$94,585,628, the army appropriation bill was reported to the senate from the committee on military affairs, which increased the allowance made by the house by \$650,450.

An aggregate of \$19,800,088 is expended annually by the government to maintain the public health service of the various departments, according to a statement forwarded to the senate by the secretary of the treasury.

Death Laid to Long Fast. Boise.—Charged with manslaughter, Dr. C. C. Smith, an osteopath physician of King Hill, was arrested at that city. He is held responsible for the death of Miss Clara Foy, the school-teacher who died from starvation. It was on the advice given to Miss Foy by Dr. Smith that the young lady attempted a 40 days' fast.

NYSSA BOY SHOOTSELF ACCIDENTALLY

Is Found Dead Beside Boat Monday Evening Shot Through Head.

Robert Walker, brother of W. M. Walker of this place, was found dead at Nyssa Monday evening. When he did not return when expected Monday evening from a hunting trip on the Snake river, anxious friends went in search of him and at midnight found his lifeless body.

The young man was alone and the supposition is that when he reached the shore he pulled the boat up on the bank and reached for his gun with the barrel pointed towards him. The gun was in some manner discharged, the shot entering his temple and it is presumed he died instantly.

He was about 16 years of age and a student in the Nyssa high school. He was the youngest brother of Rev. L. C. Walker, pastor of the Methodist church at Nyssa. The father is dead, and with his mother he made his home with Rev. Walker.

Funeral services were conducted from the Methodist church at Nyssa at 10 o'clock this morning. Rev. Haley pastor of Immanuel Methodist church of Boise officiating. Interment was made in the cemetery at Ontario.

NEW LINE OF AUTOMOBILE TRUCKS SOON ON MARKET

Chas. S. Howard, Pacific coast distributor for the Buick and National automobiles, now at the Buick factory, Flint, Mich., in a letter to his Oregon representative, Mel G. Johnson, of Portland, announces a new line of delivery automobiles and trucks, which the Buick motor company is now building. These wagons and trucks are sure to create a sensation in the commercial vehicle world, by reason of the prices at which they will be offered.

The chassis will be in two sizes; the delivery wagon in 100" wheel base and the truck in 120" wheel base and will have a carrying capacity of 1000 and 1500 lbs. respectively.

The chassis carries a four cylinder motor of the long stroke type cast en bloc and which has been under test at the Buick factory for the past 18 months.

Special features of the motor are single detachable head. Large water pipes with intake pipe passing through water jacket. The cooling system is by thermo-syphon, with unusually large diameter water pipe vertical tube radiator with fan. These new cars carry three speed selective type transmission with cone clutches and will be driven from the left side with center control of gears. Shaft drive will be used with $\frac{1}{2}$ floating type rear axle.

These new commercial vehicles will be equipped with pneumatic tires. The motor carries an adjustable sealed governor and among other special features will be the removable power plant with three point suspension, unit drive shaft and rear system easily removed as a unit.

The delivery wagon chassis will sell for \$1075.00 Portland and the truck chassis for \$1200, Portland. A choice of four styles of bodies ranging from \$100 to \$250 in price are optional with the buyer. The factory promises that delivery will begin in April.

While at the Buick factory Mr. Howard is bending his efforts to get out a special trainload of more than 375 Buicks, to beat the record for shipments which he easily established last month.